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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Kate Besch was born on September 29, 1904 in Hungary; when she was three years old, she and her mother, two brothers, and sister moved to Chicago, where her father had arrived two years earlier to find work and establish a home; they lived on the north side of Chicago and moved to 2669 Orchard Street in 1921; and

WHEREAS, That year, Kate married George Bair; they lived in Canton, Ohio for a year and then returned to Chicago, where she has lived ever since; she and George lived at the corner of Wrightwood and Burling for some time, but moved to the family home on Orchard Street when her mother passed away in 1938; George worked for the Chicago Police Department, where he came in contact with infamous figures like John Dillinger and Bugsy Malone; and

WHEREAS, George and Kate had one son, Georgie, who died tragically in an auto accident at the age of 5 in 1929; Kate's husband passed away in 1979, but Kate remains in the house that her parents bought; she is in great health and spirits, is a joy to her friends and neighbors, and is the much-loved aunt of Lois Alliger; and

WHEREAS, A celebration was held in honor of Kate Bair's 100th birthday on September 26, 2004 at 4:30 p.m. at Saporì Trattoria on Halsted and Schubert; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Kate Bair on the occasion of her 100th birthday, and we extend to her our sincere best wishes for continued good health and happiness; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to Kate Bair as an expression of our respect and
2 esteem.